

Continuing Education Program
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To Be or Not to Be?

A Professional's Guide to Ethical Considerations of End-of-Life

Friday, February 13, 2004 • 8:00 am – 3:15 pm
Costa Mesa Community Center

Offering six CEUs: BRN, LCSW, MCLE, MFT, NHAP, RCFE
This seminar qualifies for the BBS Law and Ethics and
the State Bar Ethics requirements.

Purpose of the Seminar: To provoke thought and initiate discussion on end-of-life issues that effect society in light of the advances in medical technology and the prolonging of life by artificial means.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this conference, participants will have:

Medical Decision Making:

Learned the current culture of medical decision-making, the key legal decisions in the area and the basic principles of medical ethics. Discovered the importance of communication, the emotional complications inherent in these decisions and the cultural and religious considerations that come into play.

Assisted Suicide Acts Panel:

Learned the legal requirements of the Oregon Assisted Suicide Act and whether or not the safeguards built in are considered adequate. Enjoy an intellectual discussion among our panel of experts as to whether or not assisted suicide should be permitted ethically and morally and the impact it may have on our society.

Bio-Ethics Panel Medical Decisions for the Unbefriended Elderly:

Become familiar with the pilot program operated by the Santa Clara Medical Association including the criteria by which the panel makes its decisions. Listened to the legal discussion as to whether or not these decisions should be made by a bio-ethics panel or by the courts. Enjoyed the debate over the moral and ethical issues presented by the program, particularly where a majority of physicians are now contracted to managed care.

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Program Agenda	Faculty Biographies, <i>continued</i>
<p>Morning</p> <p>8:00 – 8:45 Registration/Networking</p> <p>8:45 – 9:00 Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Course Objective Review</p> <p>9:00 – 10:15 Panel discussion: Medical Decision Making</p> <p>10:15 – 10:30 Break</p> <p>10:30 – 11:45 Medical Decision Making (continued)</p> <p>11:45 – 12:45 Luncheon Program: Audience Participation with Panel Members</p> <p>Lunch provided compliments of LivHome </p> <p>Afternoon</p> <p>12:45 – 1:45 Bio-Ethics Panel: Medical Decisions for the Unbefriended Elderly</p> <p>1:45 – 2:00 Break</p> <p>2:00 – 3:00 The Oregon Death With Dignity Act</p> <p>3:00 – 3:15 Course Objective Follow-up Evaluation and Close</p>	<p>Residential Center (County of Orange Health Care Agency), for individuals with chronic and severe mental illness. He is a consultant and lecturer at Hoag Hospital, and a consultant at nursing homes and assisted living facilities to evaluate decision-making capacity of individuals with depression, dementia and other cognitive disturbances. Dr. Bellman is a member of the American Psychiatric Association and the Orange County Psychiatric Society. He is also in private practice in Newport Beach.</p> <p>■ Felicia Cohn, Ph.D.</p> <p>Felicia Cohn, Ph.D., is the Director of Medical Ethics at the University of California, Irvine College of Medicine, where she teaches medical students, residents, and faculty, develops the ethics curriculum for the College of Medicine, and conducts research on ethical issues.</p> <p>Current research projects include a study on the impact of ethics consultation in the ICU, development of an ethics liaison program, and patient safety education. Previously she directed and published a study for the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences, entitled <i>Confronting Chronic Neglect: The Education and Training of Health Professionals to Respond to Family Violence</i> and directed the Program in Medical Ethics at the George Washington University School of Medicine. Prior to that, as a Senior Scientist with the Center to Improve Care of the Dying at George Washington, she co-authored a brief to the US Supreme Court on physician-assisted suicide and provided testimony before Congress on end-of-life care.</p> <p>Dr. Cohn has served on several ethics committees, the District of Columbia Health Policy Council, and maintains adjunct appointments at George Washington University and Vanderbilt University. Her publications have focused on end-of-life care, family violence, patient safety, and medical education.</p>
Moderator	
<p>■ Kim Hubbard, Esq., Program Manger <i>Financial Abuse Specialist Team (FAST)</i></p> <p>Kim R. Hubbard is an attorney who has been in practice for 24 years and who has specialized in Elder Law for the last 13 years. Ms. Hubbard chaired the Elder Law section of the Orange County Bar Association in 1995 and is currently President of that organization. She also serves on the board of the Victim Assistance Programs. In January 2003, Kim became the Coordinator of Orange County's FAST (Financial Abuse Specialist Team).</p> <p>Ms. Hubbard teaches a portion of the Professional Fiduciary credentialing program at Cal State Fullerton and was on the Advisory board that established the program. She has been a frequent lecturer for the Orange County Bar Association, the Public Law Center and CEB. Her practice concentrates on conservatorship, probate and LPS, probate guardianships, small estate planning and vulnerable adult abuse.</p>	<p>■ Mindy Halpern, LCSW</p> <p>Mindy Halpern is a licensed clinical social worker with over 25 years of experience in the health care field, including work in various hospitals and hospice organizations, with particular expertise in oncology (breast, prostate, and colorectal cancer), medical ethics, and end-of-life care issues. She was a long-time member of the steering committee of the Orange County Bioethics Network, and has given numerous presentations on end-of-life care issues to both professional and community groups.</p> <p>Currently, Mindy Halpern is the Health Promotion Manager at the American Cancer Society in the Orange County Region, where she does extensive outreach work with diverse communities in Orange County for cancer prevention and early detection. She also represents the American Cancer Society on the Board of Directors of the Southern California Cancer Pain Initiative.</p>
Faculty Biographies	
<p>■ Donna Ambrogi, MA, Esquire</p> <p>Donna Ambrogi is a lawyer and an advocate specializing in medical ethics and elder law issues. She received a B.A. and M.A. in Social Sciences from University of Chicago, an M.A. in Religious Studies from University of San Francisco, and, at age 48, a J.D. from Stanford Law School.</p> <p>As an attorney in San Francisco, she founded the California Law Center on Long Term Care, to bring legal assistance to health care consumers and their advocates. She has taught graduate courses in "Health Law and Ethics" and "Elder Law" at University of California at Berkeley and several other Bay Area universities, as well as at the University of La Verne.</p> <p>She is an elected Senior Assemblyperson in the California Senior Legislature, and is an active member of the Claremont Aging Committee. She serves on the Board of Directors of California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform and Compassionate Harps, and on two community medical ethics committees. She also works regularly with the food distribution center of the Pomona-Inland Valley Council of Churches.</p> <p>■ Jonathan Bellman, MD</p> <p>Doctor Jonathan Bellman is a psychiatrist in Orange County. He completed his training at New York University Medical Center in 2001. Dr. Bellman is the medical director of the Westminster Therapeutic</p>	<p>■ C. Ronald Koons, MD, FACP</p> <p>C. Ronald Koons, MD, received his B. S. degree from Purdue University in 1951, his M. D. degree from the University of Maryland in 1955 and his M.M.Sc. degree from Ohio State in 1957. He served two years in the U. S. Navy at Bethesda, Maryland in Nuclear Medicine. He became Board Certified in both Internal Medicine and Radiation Therapy. As Assistant Professor he taught at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine with joint appointments in cancer chemotherapy and radiation therapy. He was a Special Fellow in Radiation Therapy at the M. D. Anderson Cancer Institute in Houston, Texas. He was the prime developer of the Mountain States Tumor Institute in Boise, Idaho was a model community cancer center for the next five years.</p> <p>He is and has been on the clinical faculty of the University of California, Irvine for over 20 years as Associate, and now Clinical Professor. He currently is Chair of the Ethics Committee and Co-Chair of the Palliative Care Task Force at the University Medical Center. He has also been a part-time physician for three hospices in Orange County. He is a co-facilitator for a support group of patients with serious and/or life threatening disease, and counsels patients and families about cancer and its management.</p> <p>He is a colon cancer supervisor and speaks to lay and professional groups about cancer, how to communicate with physicians, and how to talk with family and friends. He is a speaker for the American Cancer Society Orange County Unit. He recently was appointed a member of Consumer Advocates in Research Related Activities (CARRA), a part of the NCI's Director's Consumer Liaison Group educating the public about the National Cancer Institute's activities and resources.</p>

Registration Information

Registration Deadline: February 4, 2004.

How to Register: Please complete the registration form and mail it with fees to:

Council on Aging–Orange County, 1971 E. 4th Street, Suite 200, Santa Ana, CA 92705. You may FAX your registration to: (714) 479-0234 if you are paying by credit card. **Early registration is advised.**

Parking: Parking is ample and free surrounding the community center.

Participant Materials: Each participant will receive a set of course materials.

Refund Policy: No refunds will be given after February 10th, three (3) working days prior to the seminar, however an alternative participant is welcomed. **Cancellations are subject to a \$20.00 processing fee.**

Registration: On-site check-in will begin forty-five (45) minutes prior to the seminar.

Continuing Education Credit

BBS - LCSW / MFT - Course meets the qualifications for six (6) hours of continuing education credit for MFTs and/or LCSWs as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences. BBS Continuing Education Provider No. PCE 2300. This seminar qualifies for the Law and Ethics requirement.

BRN - The Council on Aging–Orange County [Provider] is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider No. CEP 8029 for six (6) contact hours.

MCLE - Course meets the qualifications for six (6) hours of continuing education for attorneys as required by the State Bar of California MCLE Continuing Education Provider No. 9853.

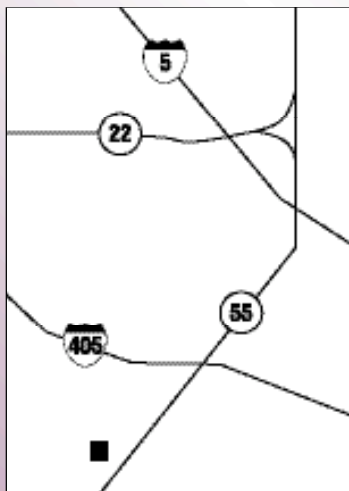
Pending Applications for Continuing Education Credit

NHAP - An application for Course Approval has been submitted the Nursing Home Administrator Program for six (6) hours of continuing education credit. NHAP Provider No. CEP 1610.

RCFE - A Request for Course Approval has been submitted to the Department of Social Services, Administrator Certification Section for six (6) hours RCFE Continuing Education credit. Vendor No.1000319-740-2.

Location

Costa Mesa Community Center
1845 Park Avenue
Costa Mesa, CA



From South County:

5 Freeway north to 55 south
Right on 19th Street to Park
(two blocks)
Left on Park
Right into the Center (next
to fire station)

From Los Angeles:

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REGISTRATION FORM

Early registration before January 23rd \$ 60

Registration Deadline February 4th \$ 75

Registration at the door \$100

Fees include cost of conference, light refreshments, lunch and materials and 6.0 CEUs. **Add \$20 for dual discipline certificates.**

CREDIT

6.0 Continuing Education Units will be offered for: *(please circle one)* LCSW, MFT, RN, MCLE.
Credit pending for NHAP, RCFE.

License # _____

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Agency _____

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(circle one: home or office)

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Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

Charge my credit card \$ _____

Account Number _____

(circle one: Visa or MasterCard)

Expiration Date _____

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE

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